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POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the target set for power generation during the Ninth Plan is likely to be achieved;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Eighth Plan target of a capacity of 3000 MW has been achieved: and

(d) the rate of success at the end of Eighth Plan with regard to power capacity and the expectation at the end of the Ninth Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) No, Sir. An assessment made by Planning Commission in the course of the Mid-Term Appraisal of the Ninth Plan indicates that there would be a shortfall of about 79 billion Kwh (13.2%), against the target of 606.7 billion Kwh at the end of the Ninth Plan.

(b) The main reason is shortfall in capacity addition during the Ninth Plan period.

(c) The Eighth Plan programme envisaged a capacity addition of 30, 538 MW against which 16422.6 MW was added during the Eighth Plan period.

(d) The rate of success in capacity addition in the Eighth Plan period was about 54% of the target and for the Ninth Plan period, the assessment made by the Planning Commission in the course of the Mid-Term Appraisal of the Ninth Plan indicates likely capacity addition of 24309 MW which is about 60% of the Plan target of 40,245 MW.